

SMDP NEWS

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Welcome to the SMDP NEWS

The **SMDP NEWS** is the newsletter of CDC's Sustainable Management Development Program (SMDP). The goals of **SMDP NEWS** are to:

- Inform members of the international health community about SMDP activities
- Support graduates of SMDP's annual Management for International Public Health (MIPH) Course with information and training resources
- Facilitate country-to-country exchanges of information and experience in public health management development

The **SMDP NEWS** is published quarterly, and distributed to all MIPH graduates. Graduates are encouraged to support the **SMDP NEWS** with articles, photos, and updates on their activities. Also, please send us names and addresses for additions or corrections to the mailing list. Current and past editions of the **SMDP NEWS** can be viewed at our web site: <http://www.cdc.gov/phppo/smdp>

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Management for International Public Health-Class of 1998



L-R: Paul Abamonte, Ramez Mahaini, Sheri-Nouane Johnson, Phuong Lan Pham, Michael Malison, Van Nhu Ha, Edmund Gumisiriza, Karen Cuevas, Samir Haj-Bloukh, Mamadou Drave, Maria Hoy, Ekaterina Sioridze, Mala Ramachandran, Ronny Shtarkshall, Nikoloz Natsvlishvili, Madiha Ahmed, Gladstone Skeete, Sam An Ung, David Bull, Ma. Concepcion Rocas, Chanthol Eang, Govada Rao in Atlanta, USA October 1998

The seventh annual Management for International Public Health (MIPH) course was held in Atlanta from September 21 to October 30, 1998. Participants came from the countries of Cambodia, Dominican Republic, Egypt, Georgia, India, Israel, Jordan, Mali, Mexico, Philippines, Uganda, and Vietnam. Welcome additions to this year's course were two participants from the World Health Organization, one from the Eastern Mediterranean Regional Office (EMRO) in Egypt, and the other from the Caribbean Regional Epidemiology Centre (CAREC) in Trinidad and Tobago. Financial support for this year's participants was provided by 11 different international agencies and governments.

All participants developed project plans for implementation upon return to their home countries. Examples of project proposals are as follows:

- Introduction of Total Quality Management in Maternal and Neonatal Health in the Eastern Mediterranean Region
- Establishment of a Public Health Management Training Center in Mexico
- Improving Public Health Management Capacity in Vietnam
- Improving Community training programs in the Project HOPE Maternal-Child Clinic
- Public Health Management Capacity Development in Georgia
- Applying TQM to Solve Low Measles Immunisation Coverage in the Slums of Hyderabad





SMDP staff poses with 1998 IACET Exemplar Award

SMDP Wins 1998 IACET Exemplar Award

CDC/PHPPPO's Sustainable Management Development Program was the 1998 winner of the prestigious *Exemplar Award* of the International Association for Continuing Education and Training (IACET). IACET, the founder and caretaker of the Continuing Education Unit (CEU), is a non-profit association of education and training organizations devoted to the constructive and consistent use of the CEU to improve the quality and effectiveness of continuing education, training and human resource development.

The award was presented to SMDP's Director, Dr. Michael D. Malison at the annual IACET meeting in Guadalajara, Mexico on October 7th. The Exemplar Award honors exemplary, results-oriented programs or projects which demonstrate cost-effective, significant and relevant impact on the populations served.

The staff of the SMDP would like to take this opportunity to thank *and* congratulate our 124 alumni at work in 43 countries around the world and the organizations which support them for making SMDP *exemplary*. □

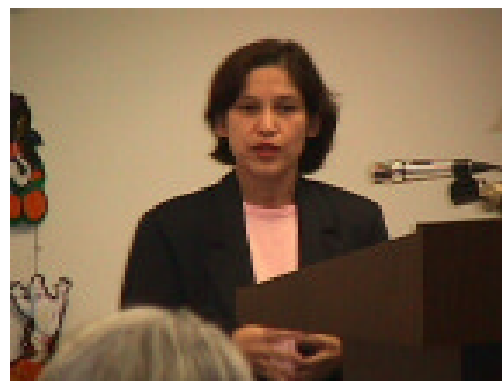
Philippines Initiates Field Management Training Program

Philippines Field Epidemiology Program (FETP) Director, Dr. Conchy Roces, attended the 1998 MIPH course and returned with plans to develop a Field *Management* Training Program (FMTP) to complement the FETP.

The development of the program is based upon the premise that local government personnel lack the necessary skills to carry out core public health functions. The objective is for program participants to learn practical management skills and apply them in their Local Government

Units (LGUs). Conchy envisions that two participants per LGU will attend the program as a team to ensure sustainability within the LGU. The year-long program will be field-based and action oriented with classroom training limited to one week per quarter. CDC may provide technical assistance for some of the training workshops and field supervision of projects.

The Philippines Department of Health has already approved the proposal for a FMTP and the first management training workshop is scheduled to begin in March 1999. Conchy expects that in five years the FMTP will graduate about 50 LGU personnel and she intends for the program to be fully institutionalized by the year 2008. □



Dr. Conchy Roces (MIPH '98)

New SMDP Web Site

www.cdc.gov/phppo/smdp

Check out the new SMDP web site at -

<http://www.cdc.gov/phppo/smdp>

The site provides information about SMDP, the Management for International Public Health course and yearbook information. MIPH



HPPO - Public Health Practice Program

Welcome to the web site for
CDC's Sustainable
Management Development
Program

Since 1992, our program has been assisting developing countries in strengthening in-country management training capacity for public health. Our counterparts include ministries of health, academic institutions and non-governmental organizations.



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SMDP website at www.cdc.gov/phppo/smdp

graduates are listed in the yearbook directory; please check and see if your information is current.

Also of interest is the World Health Organization's site at - <ftp://gpaftp.who.ch/inet/ftp/epi/index.html> . This site contains free epidemiology software, including EpiInfo, EpiMap and DoEpi (a series of computer exercises and instructor's module designed to teach both epidemiology and the use of Epi Info). □



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EXTERNAL PROGRAMME

Distance learning MSc in Health Systems Management

The London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine has developed a distance learning program and now offers a Postgraduate Diploma or a MSc degree in three subject areas: Epidemiology, Health Systems Management, and Infectious Diseases.

The distance learning program is print-based and primarily self-taught. All of the necessary textbooks and other materials are supplied and are included in the course fees. There is no residency requirement in London but access to a computer is required for some courses. Students can take exams in their own or a neighboring country.

The MSc courses require approximately 1500 hours of study, and for most students, a reasonable expectation would be to study for approximately 15 hours per week and complete the MSc degree in three years. The PG Diploma requires approximately 5,000 hours of study.

Students receive tutorial feedback and advice on assignments submitted from LSHTM staff. There will also be opportunities to join local networks of students who are studying for LSHTM courses.

For further information please write to: First Enquiries, External Programme, Senate House, Malet Street, London WC1E 7HU, United Kingdom or email: - enquiries@eisa.lon.ac.uk and ask for a prospectus. □

Welcome to New SMDP Staff Members

Sheri-Nouane Johnson accepted a full-time position as a CDC Public Health Advisor in the Sustainable Management Development Program in May 1998.

Her responsibilities include providing technical assistance to management training programs in developing countries, logistical support and teaching in the annual CDC/ Emory



Gail Wilson & Sheri-Nouane Johnson

University Management for International Public Health course. Sheri-Nouane had previously been on assignment to SMDP as an Emory University employee since September 1996. Prior to joining Emory University, she served four years with the Peace Corps in Côte d'Ivoire and Thailand.

Gail Wilson began working for the CDC in 1984 as support staff in the Epidemiology Program Office.

Among other responsibilities, she provided logistical support to EPO's annual Epidemic Intelligence Service training courses. She left EPO in 1994 and worked at a private school for several years. Gail returned to the CDC in September, 1998 in a support position for the Office of the Director in the Public Health Practice Program Office and the Sustainable Management Development Program.

Gail is a native of Atlanta, attended Georgia State University, and is the mother of one daughter. □

Apply NOW for 1999 MIPH course

SMDP is now accepting applications for the 1999 Management for International Public Health course. The dates for the 1999 course are August 23 - October 1. Enrollment in 1999 will again be limited so prospective candidates are encouraged to identify sponsors and apply early. Priority consideration is given to candidates who:

- Are responsible for developing and teaching management skills to public health workers in their country
- Have an institutional commitment from their sponsoring agency to develop a self-sustaining management training program.

For more information and an application, please call, fax, or e-mail the SMDP at the address listed below.

MIPH Class Notes

MIPH '96

Ifeoma Umolu and Abel Eigege facilitated a two-week "Managing Human Resources" workshop at the Sustainable Management Training Centre in Jos, Nigeria during August 1998. Topics covered included behavioral styles, leadership, conflict resolution, team work, staff recruitment, management of change and training of trainers. The target audience were supervisors and trainers in public and private agencies working in the field of health, social services and development.

MIPH '95

Mauricio Espinel from Ecuador has begun a PhD program at the Liverpool School of Tropical Medicine. His e-mail address for the coming year is eduardo1@liverpool.ac.uk

MIPH '93

Raja Bharti is currently Project Director for AIDS control in Uttar Pradesh, India and recently completed a review of the "Targeted Intervention Project on STD/HIV/AIDS among Commercial Sex Workers in Allahabad District". His current address is: Dr. R. R. Bharti, Project Director (AIDS Control), 3/5 Kaiser Bagh Officer's Colony, Lucknow - 226 001 (INDIA)
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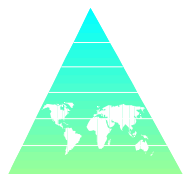
MIPH '92

Tatiana Ciomartin from Romania recently passed the 'medic primar' examination and is working in an intensive care unit. Her e-mail address is RomanianCR@aol.com

" The illiterate of the year 2000 will not be the individual who cannot read and write, but the one who cannot learn, unlearn and relearn."

- Alvin Toffler

Quotable Quotes:



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